

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5037**
Hideki YOSHIKAWA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_0714A
Serial No. 10/533,584 : Group Art Unit 1643
Filed May 3, 2005 : Examiner Meera Natarajan
AGENT FOR TREATING CHONDROMA : **Mail Stop: RCE**
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PRELIMINARY REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the remarks of record and the following remarks.

An RCE and a Three-Month Extension of Time accompany this response.

Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116
Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 1643